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BIG MONEY IN HOGS

Richmond's Great Market for Swine, Cattle and Sheep.

STARTLING FIGURES REGARDING MEATS

Virginia Gets Eighty Per Cent of Its Pork, Beef and Mutton From the West-These Can Be Supplied by Home Farmers-Market Facilities Ample.

BY FRANK S. WOODSON.

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At the Convention of State Agricultural Commissioners, held in Raleigh.

N. C. a few days ago, Commissioner George Weilington Koiner, of Virginia, made a good speech, several of them, in fact, and he did a little very justifiable boasting. Virginia has made some fine progress along agricultural lines, and the commissioner had a perfect right to boast, especially as the good story of what the old mother is doing is well calculated to help her caughters solve some of the industrial and agricultural problems which confront them. Speaking of the successful use of the hog cholera Serum, Mr. Koiner declared that the cholera has been practically credicated in Virginia, and that this has so greatly secoursed the hog-raining industry. has been practically eredicated in Virginia, and that this has so greatly encouraged the hog-raising industry in the State that Virginia has become the leader in that line, raising more hogs for the markets than any other Southern State. The discussions developed the fact that all of the Southern States are far behind the old Dominion. And yet Virginia buys 80 percent of the hog meat she consumes, and her wholesale dealers sell, from the west. She also buys at least half of the beef and mutton she consumes from the packing houses of the West, and this is the subject upon which I propose to talk to the extent of a column or two this morning.

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I have just been reading a lengthy article by L. L. Gibson, of Macon, Ga., which was written for the purpose of getting the farmers around Macon and the capitalists and business men of the city to raise \$1.000,000 to establish a packing house business, with stock yards, alattoirs, etc., for the purpose of furnishing farmers and stock-raisers a market for hogs, cattle and sheep, and thus get them to raising the necessary stock to furnish that section with meat, instead of going West for all, or hearly and, of the meat they eat. Mr. Gibson admits that it would be a losing proposition for the stockholders for a few years, until the farmers can be educated up to the importance and the profitableness of hog and cattle raising, his position being that Georgia cities must first furnish a market before the countrymen will grow the material for the packing houses. In this connection he says:

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"Why should he try to produce more ogs under present conditions? It is no lid English axiom toat the farmer ho sells his grain and forage is the bor farmer, and the farmer that feeds is grain and forage and sells his fatted stock is the rich farmer. There re millions of acres of land as good and orductive as any in the State are millions of acres of land as good and productive as any in the State that lie failow. They would produce that lie failow. They would produce naithons of dollars worth of good cattle and hogs and other eouble animais. These acres lie dormant, idle, useless, for no other reason than the lack of facilities for making economic use of these products. What other than the modern packinghouse can make use of them or turn them into money?"

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The other, W o. Forbes & Co., conduct an uu-to-date abbottor, with all of the necessary stock yards, cattle pens and slaughter-houses. Their packing-house is perhaps the largest and best equipped in the South, and it is a money maker. I do not hesitate to express the opinion that the capacity of this already immense establishment would be more than doubled at once if the Virginia back country would furnish the raw material in the shape of hogs and cattle. I was about to say if the back country could furnish the raw material That would have been improper, for the farms of Virginia can furnish every pound of meat that is bought and sold in the wholesale and retail markets of the State. How much do they raisonow? Let the figures speak for themselves:

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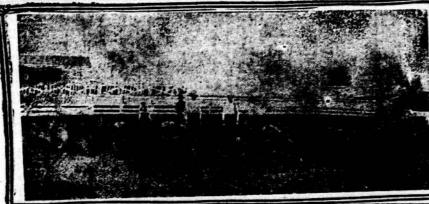
THE PORK AND BEFF INDUSTRY IN VIRGINIA







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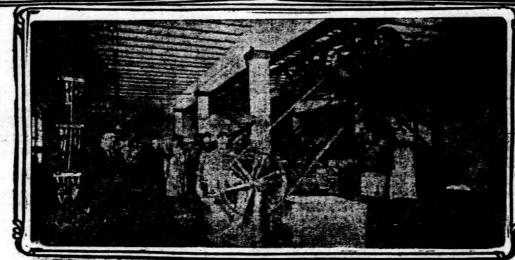


Deliveries of Brights Larger Than Ever Known So Early in Season.

WELL MAINTAINED PRICES

Sun-Curing Farmers Holding Back Their Better Grades for Fancy Figures.

The loose leaf tobacco markets of Virginia and North Carolina continue very active, and the deliveries of stock direct from the barns of the farmers keep up to immense propor-



SAUSAGE GRINDING AND PACKING

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Veteran New York Banker Points the Way to a Scientific Reform.

MOBILIZE THE RESERVES

Currency Based on Trade of the Country, and National Discount Market Urged.

BY A. BARTON HELBURN. Ident of the Chumber of Come of the State of New York.

With wholesome legislation proving for and regulating banking, currency and credit, there should be a (Continued on Second Page.)

A Notable Series

The Times-Disputch has secured order of articles bearing directly on the banking and currency system of the United States, pointing out its attenuable and weaknesses an article proper remedies. They out its strength and weaknesses may magnering proper remedie. There are from the price of some of the country's master fauncial minds, among the writers being A. Barton Heybern, president of the Clambor of Commerce of the State of Ren York; George H. Reynolds, president of the Confinence and Commercial Rutinum Hank, of Chicago, J. Lawrence Laughlin, professor of political economy in the University of Chicago, Harry A. Wheeler, President of the Chamber of Commerce of the University of Microsoft of the States of American Andrew Covarghe, William A. Posts, director of the School of Commerce in the University of Wisconsin, Hon. Ryron T. Bereick, American Hon. Ryron T. Bereick, American

Southern Railway Shows Tell Thousands About Best Country in the World.

States, especially Virginia and Morth Carolina, has been aroused by the ex-

River from New York and Pennsylvania to Jowa. There were twenty-seven separate exhibits made at district and county fairs in the Northern States in addition to a fine display put in at the Canadian International Exhibition at Toronto. The exhibits everywhere attracted attention. As a rule visitors pronounced them finer than those made by local exhibitors, and it was usual to hear the statement from a man that he had no idee that the Southeast was a country of

tunities.

The fine display of fruit, of cornwheat and other grains, and the showing about other products of the Southern soil were things that expecially appealed to great numbers of

Set less than two representatives of the Southern Railway and its acceptable lines were present at each of those exhibita, explaining conditions in the Southeant and the opportunities offered to the homeseeker as well as the attractions of the Southern country for invectors or for visitors. Reports of these agents show that the rotal attendance at the various fairs and exhibits visited amounced to over 1,856.000 people, that about 246,000 visited the Southern Railway exhibits, over 76,00) people were personally talked with about the Southeast and thearty 23,000 copies of literature advertising this section were distributed. In addition to these exhibits special dairy exhibits were made at the Chicago and Waterloo, lows, exhibitions, and a special exhibit work made at the International Live Stock Exhibition of Chicago in Possable.

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The various exhibits made extended over a period of two months and included the country north of the Olde River from New York and Pennsylvania to Iowa. There were twenty-seem separate exhibits made at district and county fairs in the Northern trick and county fairs in the Northern addition to a fine display.

annum, and for women, for field work, from \$75 to \$100.

Range of Wages Stace 1865.

Since the close of the war there has been an almost continuous advance in the rates of pay to agricultural laborers in the South. In Virginia, a farm laborer received only \$10.45 per month, without board, as \$10.43 per month, without board, as compared with \$13.47 in 1809, the last census period. The general advance in monthly wages to farm workers in Virginia, with and without board, may be quickly seen from a slance at the fellowing tabulation covering the period 1866-1809:

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PRICE FIVE CENT

Another Week of Activity All Over the City and the Suburbs.

BUSINESS SITES IN GREAT DEMAND

High-Water Mark Reached i Skyscraper District-Investors Watching the Western Sections-Sales in All Parts of Town-Hollow Voice From the Tombs.

The real estate market has shows unusual activity during the past wee The trading in the western part of city goes on without abateme and it would be hard to tell how many pieces of property have changed hands in that region within the last ten days.
The investors and speculators are The investors and speculators are greatly in evidence out there. Properties sometimes change owners two or three times in as many days, and the presumption is that the sememakes a speck every time a change of this kind takes place. But all of the buying out there is not by speculators, many permanent investors are taking a decided interest in the weathern sections and they are buying with the idea of building and developing. There is great demand for homes for acctory operatives in the northwest section, and several permanent lievestors are acquiring ground there with the view of building such homes for rent, and in so doing they are doing Richmond a great service and at the same time making a very safe investment. greatly in evidence out there. Prop But ail of the activity is not in lots

But ail of the activity is not in in the west and the northwest. intimated a week ago in this column there have been many longing est on business property, much of it right in the busiest part of the city, in takyscraper region along Main Street. instance, and down on lower Mi or instance, and down on lower Mais freet and on Cary and Broad and the ross business streets. Some of those who have been longing for this class of property have landed, and the deals which were to make them happy have

Who have been longing for this class of property have landed, and the deals which were to make them happy have when were to make them happy have been consummated.

A banker was heard to say the other day that he never knew a time in the history of Richmond when as much money could be loaned or real estate as now. Said he: "I believe I could lend out a round million dollars to day on realty security to people who want to invest more largely in Richmond property—that is, I could do it if I had the money and wanted to lend it that way."

Tals gentleman went on to express the opinion that there was too much activity in the real estate line, and that some ody is liable to get hard. Maybe this banker does not know it, but the fact is some people have made remarks like that constantly for the last six years, and nobody who invested then or since then in the right for the last six years, and nobody who invested then or since then in the right for the last six years, and nobody who invested then or since then in the right for the last six years, and nobody who invested then or since then in the right for the last six years, and nobody who invested then or since then in the right for the last six years, and nobody who invested then or since then in the right for the last six years, and nobody who invested then or since then in the right of Richmond dirt has been hurt for the fact make a good investment. Some Lively Selling.

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way to set a value upon labor in the same way as fixing a rate of wages. Where slaves were hired out for the year a contract between the owner and the person hiring was entered into, setting forth the obligations of the party. Sometimes this contract was in the form of a note agreeing at a specified date to pay a definite sum, in addition to other obligation for food and conting.

Prior to 1860 a year's labor of a neground worth about \$100 in Virginia and the Carolinas. This, of course, included not only board, but some clothing, shelter, and bedding as well. Women generally, for field is bor, were worth about \$45. in ... the cottonfields of the Gulf States, and in the sugar districts of Louisiana, labor was more productive and the rate of the same of the sugar districts of Louisiana, labor was more productive and the rate of the server was more productive and the rate of the same of the same

over \$175.000.

Harrison & Bates sold some Main Street property, between Eleventh and Twelfth, for \$55.000, and also the realduce property at the corner of Adams and Marshall Streets for \$20,000, but this cautious and reticent firm decline to divulge names of either buyes or seller or any particulars of the deals. By way of variety Harrison & Bates added a \$3,000 Henrico County farm to their sales list.

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J. D. Carneal & Son report sales address in the gregating \$70,090. They included the gregating \$70,090. They include the gregating \$70,090. They include the great for \$12,000. and some other cantrally located property.

Bowles & Jones Company report the gale of 153 feet on Roseneath Road to C. E. Sprinkle for \$9,390. the house and south Richmond, to the same centisman for \$12,590. No. 2506 Stuart Avenue to J. S. Galeste for \$9,290. In feet on Cary Street, near the Boules ward, to T. D. Drummond for \$11,750. and some small house in Palemond and on Church Hill for about \$4,000.